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POLYVALENT ALCOHOLS AS ATOM

TRANSFER RADICAL POLYMERIZATION

INITIATORS

U.S. APPLICATION NO: 09/889,640

35 USC 371 DATE: JULY 19, 2001

Commissioner for Patents

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of April 3, 2003, has a shortened statutory time set to expire on July 3, 2003. A one-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 03-1935 in the amount of \$110.00 for payment of the extension fee. Two additional copies of this paper are here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 03-1935.

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